

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF GEORGIA
SAVANNAH DIVISION

WILLIS COOPER,)
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Plaintiff,)
)
v.) Case No. CV414-220
)
STATE OF GEORGIA;)
DAVID LOWE,)
Director, Child Support Agency;)
CARROL BRANNEN,)
Child Support Agency,)
)
Defendants.)

REPORT AND RECOMMENDATION

Willis Cooper has filed a virtual carbon copy of a case he filed in 2013 contesting the validity of a child-support arrearage and related incarcerations. (Doc. 1); *see Cooper v. State of Georgia* ("Cooper I"), No. CV413-091, docs. 5 & 8 (S.D. Ga. June 11, 2013). He also seeks leave to file this case *in forma pauperis* (IFP). (Doc. 2.) Cooper has satisfied this Court's prior order in quest of more information showing his indigence, so the Court **GRANTS** his motion. This case, however, must be **DISMISSED**. It is duplicative. Furthermore, as the Court explained in Cooper's prior case, *Cooper I*, doc. 5, any claim as to his incarceration is

barred under *Heck v. Humphrey*, 512 U.S. 477, 486-87 (1994), and this Court lacks jurisdiction “over suits that are, in substance, appeals from state court judgments.’ *Hoblock v. Albany Cnty. Bd. of Elections*, 422 F.3d 77, 84 (2d Cir.2005) (citing *Rooker v. Fidelity Trust Co.*, 263 U.S. 413 (1923); *District of Columbia Court of Appeals v. Feldman*, 460 U.S. 462 (1983)).” *Netterville v. City of New York*, 2013 WL 541503 at * 2 (S.D.N.Y. Feb. 7, 2013) (dismissing similar “child support” gripe case).

SO REPORTED AND RECOMMENDED, this 30th day of January, 2015.



UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF GEORGIA